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## Gov. Perdue Announces Surry Company Received Contract Based on New State Preference for N.C. Businesses

Raleigh—Gov. Bev Perdue today announced that Bray's Recapping in Mount Airy has been awarded a state contract thanks to the new preference for in-state businesses. Bray's Recapping price-matched a bid worth \$10,676 for tire studs. The company's original bid was only \$523 behind a company from New York.

In February, Gov. Perdue signed Executive Order No. 50 that directed the Department of Administration to develop price-matching procedures for North Carolina resident bidders on state contracts for the purchase of goods. Qualified North Carolina companies whose bid price is within 5% or \$10,000 of the lowest bid, whichever is less, are given the opportunity to match the price of an out-of-state low bidder and be awarded contracts with the State of North Carolina.

"It's critical that we do everything we can to support our home-grown businesses. North Carolina businesses employ our friends, our neighbors and our family members. They grow here, they stay here and they create jobs here," said Perdue. "The preference for in-state businesses will save jobs and help North Carolina businesses grow and create new jobs."